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GOD'S PURPOSE IN EXPANSION.

Senator McLaurin Tells of America's "Heaven Appointed Destiny."

PRIDE FOR THE PRESIDENT.

Independence Day, 1901, He Says, Sees Cause for Rejoicing in That McKinley Has United a House Once Divided Against Itself.

Spartanburg, S. C., July 4.—Senator John L. McLaurin, in his Independence Day speech here, struck again and in no uncertain tone the same optimistic note which has marked all his recent deliverances. The commanding position of the country today, gained through wise administration; her brilliant future, assured if she lives up to her present opportunities—these were the themes upon which the Senator dwelt.

"The Republican Government of the United States is the most perfect the world has ever seen," said he. "It is a Government based upon the rock foundations of the people's right to govern themselves under the sanction of an enlightened conscience and of the moral law."

"Our land is the most favored of earth. We have a diversity of soil and climate unequalled. Our diversity of production is marvelous. Our versatility of scientific and inventive genius is the wonder of the world. We are able not only to feed our millions of population but the hungry of all nations. With all these advantages we can afford to shut up ourselves in a 'pent-up Utopia' and allow the very redundancy of our products to make us poor?"

As a return of gratitude to the Ruler of nations for our unparalleled prosperity and advantages, it is our national duty to grow, expand and go forth to contend with other nations for commercial supremacy.

"With this Heaven-appointed destiny, what splendid opportunities are offered us. Some are disposed to talk flippantly about the advent of the United States into the arena of the struggle among the great Powers of earth. They oppose the extension of our territory, of our commerce, of the blessings of our political institutions and Christian civilization because it increases our national obligations. They forget that no nation ever acquired power and influence without incurring increased responsibilities. A shrinking from responsibility is cowardice, and the American people are not cowards."

"It was never intended in the great plans of Omnipotence that any nation can exist without being a blessing or curse to others. The recent troubles in China made all the great civilized Powers neighbors. It brought them in unison for their own betterment and the welfare of heathen China. Why then criticize our President for the attitude of the United States in this Chinese complication, and for acting in concert with the other nations as a neighbor?"

In an exhaustive and hopeful account of the commercial growth of the country Mr. McLaurin spoke of the labor question of the day as follows:

"The interest of the laborer and his employer, if properly understood, are reciprocal. They are interested to bring about but one result, the profitable employment of labor to the good of both labor and capital. Under the principles of equality and justice, this relation will be so well understood that it will bring about a system of legal arbitration, similar to the principles governing courts of equity, that will determine questions arising between labor and its employers in such a manner as will advance the interests of both."

"While trusts are dangerous to the public welfare by reason of their purpose, which is to increase prices by preventing competition and limit production to the point of the greatest possible profit, the legitimate corporation, however large its capital, having for its purpose a great increase of production and the extension of the stifling of trade, is distinctly beneficial and assists in the diffusion of general prosperity."

"The opening up of new markets will create new lines of employment and increase the number of men required to conduct the old lines of business, thus affording to the man who earns his bread by the sweat of his brow the opportunity to keep constantly employed and insuring him against periods of enforced idleness. It is a happy condition which benefits all and is not a condition which should array one class against the other."

Predicting the lines upon which the national growth would continue, the Senator made five distinct points: An Anglo-Saxon alliance, American commercial supremacy, her command of the Pacific and the maintenance of her position as the great world missionary and arbiter of peace.

"One of the pre-eminent events which seem to be coming on will be a union of the English speaking race, in which Anglo-Saxon ideas of liberty and Christian civilization will become predominant, and finally control the politics, the policies and the commerce of the world. There may not be any political alliance between the republican United States and the monarchical Great Britain, but there will be a unity of purpose which will link them together in the bonds of a common interest and race affiliation."

"Let it be understood that in future alliances, either implied or explicit, the United States is the master of the situation. That this is true is evident to any business man who will consider for a moment the trade situation of the world."

"Another event will be the assumption by the United States of the obligation of arbiter in all international disputes. Her commanding political and commercial influence will insure the concession of this prerogative."

"Another event of the future will be the complete commercial supremacy of the United States. The Pacific will become the great highway upon which her tem-

ing products will be borne to every land. With the Atlantic and Pacific joined by the Nicaragua Canal her sails will whiten every harbor, and her commerce will be the commerce of the world. With her natural advantages, her undeveloped resources and her hundreds of millions of inventive and progressive population, she can defy efforts of the other nations to rival her productions and trade, and to snatch from her the crown of commercial supremacy.

"Another event of transcendent importance will be the complete triumph of the gospel of Christ through the achievements of the Anglo-Saxon race. With the star spangled banner of the United States in consort with the flag of the British Empire floating in every harbor and ocean of the globe, all people will be aroused from their heathen sleep of sixty centuries and brought to a knowledge of the true God."

"One more word and I am done. The war with Spain, if it meant nothing more, has been worth ten times the blood and treasure it cost in reuniting this country. We had a President in the White House who was not afraid to trust ex Confederates. He not only spoke lovingly of our dead, but he trusted the command of the armies of the United States and honor of this anniversary day we can rejoice not only at the liberty granted us under the declaration made on July 4, 1776, but we can thank God that we are now a united people, and that our house is no longer divided against itself."

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BOERS GRAVELY ACCUSED.

British Paper Says They Commit Terrible Atrocities in South Africa.

London, July 9.—The Daily Mail gives sensational prominence this morning to mail advices from Vlakfontein which attribute to the Boers inhuman atrocities which the censor would not allow to be described by cable.

"A couple of Boers," says the Daily Mail correspondent, "who were armed with Martini, walked around among the dead and dying. Some they turned over to see if they were dead. If it were otherwise, then one or the other of the Boers shot them as you would shoot an ox. I saw four killed in this way. One youngster pleaded for his life. I heard him say, 'Oh Christ, don't,' and then bang went the rifle. That is what happened."

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FROGS IMPEDE A TRAIN.

Railroad Tracks Covered Near Ithaca Until Rails Become Slippery.

Ithaca, July 9.—After the recent heavy rains frogs have appeared here in great numbers. The ground in the vicinity of Renwick Park is covered with them.

A train which left for Auburn late last night had difficulty in working its way through the frogs which appeared on the track. The track became so slippery from the frogs killed that the wheels would not take hold of the rails.

Traffic on a branch of the Ithaca street railway running on Stewart Avenue has been impeded. Thousands of the frogs appeared on vacant lots.

The little animals have invaded houses and destroyed many gardens in the lower part of the city. It is difficult to proceed on the walks in that vicinity.

An explanation is that the frogs have come from the swamps south of Renwick. As a result of the wet season many pools are left in that vicinity, affording many opportunities for the breeding of tadpoles.

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TURKISH TROOPS SEIZE THEIR PAY.

Force an Entrance Into Government Treasuries of Macedonia and Divide the Money Found in the Vaults.

Volo, Greece, July 8.—The Turkish garrisons at Kilifli and Vodena, in Macedonia, not having been paid by the Government in a long time, succeeded in effecting a forcible entrance to the Government treasuries in the places where they were stationed, and partitioned among themselves the money in the treasury buildings. A similar attempt on the part of the troops stationed at Salonica, in Macedonia, was frustrated.

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FAMOUS MESSAGE SENT TO DEWEY.

A Statement Given Out As To The Authorship.

BY ADMIRAL CROWNSHIELD.

How the "Capture or Destroy" Order Was

Written, Approved, Signed and Forwarded to the Commander in Asiatic Waters in April, 1898—Credit Belongs

President and Secretary

Long.

Washington, July 8.—Rear Admiral A. S. Crownsfield, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, today issued a formal statement to the effect that he is the author of the famous dispatch to Admiral Dewey ordering him to proceed from Hong Kong to Manila and there capture or destroy the Spanish fleet.

Admiral Crownsfield states that he wrote the dispatch in the White House, and submitted it to both Attorney General Griggs and the President, and that the only change made in the dispatch as he wrote it was the addition of either the word "capture" or "destroy." The dispatch, according to Admiral Crownsfield, was then handed to Lieutenant Whittlesley, who took it to Secretary Long, and after the latter had signed it, sent it to Admiral Dewey.

In conclusion Admiral Crownsfield says that whatever credit comes from having given the order belongs to the President and Secretary Long.

Secretary Long said upon this subject: "My recollection is entirely distinct. Immediately upon the declaration of war, I had conferred with the President about an order to Dewey to attack the Spanish fleet at Manila."

"On Sunday morning, April 24, I went to the White House, sat with the President on the sofa in the corridor, and earnestly advised the sending of such an order. But for Admiral Crownsfield's statement, I should have said unhesitatingly that I had with me the dispatch which had been prepared in his Bureau of Navigation, and that, the President approving, I returned to the Navy Department, and sent it in to the Bureau of Navigation to be put in cipher."

"I then went out to drive. As I drove out between 11 and 12 o'clock, I remember passing Admiral Crownsfield, and to what transpired later at the White House at the meeting which he describes, I of course have no knowledge."

"It seems to me probable that the President, after his interview with me, sent for some of the cabinet and Admiral Crownsfield and took up the dispatch, which, according to my recollection, had already been prepared, and gave it final consideration. Probably also there had then come in Dewey's dispatch of the day before advising us that he had been ordered to get away from Hong Kong."

Letter to J. N. Harman.

Tazewell, Va.

Dear Sir: Most painters insist that lead and oil is good for three years; but they also insist that it needs going over again in three years. It is as much as to say it's a good job of paint that lasts three years.

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A Disappointment.

Our Democratic friends who went to Pocahontas to hear Mr. Bryan were evidently much disappointed in that gentleman as an orator and also in the character of his address. From his reported remarks, he said nothing new, nothing that his ardent admirers had not read in the many hundreds of speeches he has made since he sprung so suddenly into prominence. In other words, he made a Bryan political speech, for which his hearers had to pay fifty cents, each, and it was, so we are informed, delivered in a monotonous and uninteresting style.

We doubt if any of those who went to Pocahontas would go again to hear the Nebraska if they had to travel any distance.

MILLIONS INVOLVED IN FRAUDS.

Government Acts Against Clarke And Daily Estate.

Helena, Mont., July 9.—Millionaire William A. Clarke, Margaret Daly, of New York, administratrix of estate of the late Marcus Daly, Anaconda Mining Company, and Bitter Root Development Company, must answer to the United States government for irregularities in timber lands in Montana and Idaho involving millions of dollars.

The government has been at work securing evidence in the case for years. Clarke must fight with all his resources for the title of 140,000 acres of timber land. Likewise the Daly interests, including the great mining companies named, must defend suit instituted by the Department of Justice for the recovery of \$1,300,000, the value of timber, alleged to have been cut from government lands in Montana.

One hundred and two indictments recently have been found by the Federal grand jury against individuals who are accused of actually managing a scheme by which the government declares it was defrauded of great amounts.

All this has come about in the last few weeks. The story of the timber-land alleged frauds in Montana dates back ten or twelve years, but it has been only recently that the government has been able to get a line on how they worked, thousands of acres of timber land having been entered and patents granted to employees of milling companies.

It is asserted now that these new cases will be pushed to where the whole matter will be laid bare.

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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The members of the Constitutional Convention seem to have about as many opinions on the suffrage question as there are delegates in the convention.

Some of our Democratic contemporaries are discussing the proper method of voting, and what provision the new Constitution shall make on that line. The important question is, shall citizens be allowed to vote, and after they have voted shall their votes be counted as they are cast.

The state is made up. It is Montague, Willard and Anderson. None other than the reform movement of the May Convention was the beginning of the contest between the out-going and the in-going. The outs seemed to have succeeded in their efforts. What kind of movement will be started to down the new ring?

President McKinley celebrated the Fourth of July by signing a proclamation that will open for public settlement the Kiowa, Comanche, Apache, Wichita and Gaddo Indian reservations in Oklahoma. This opens up a very fertile territory which will furnish about 13,000 homesteads. There have already been filed 50,000 applications for the homesteads. The allotments will be made after a drawing to determine the order in which the applicants will be allowed to present their applications.

The Richmond News says: "The Marion News in a leading editorial exhorts its fellow-Republicans to get together and name the right man as the party's nominee for Governor. Whoever he may be, will be the left man after the general election." The Richmond News has not lost confidence in the potentiality of the Walton election law, and confidently predicts the success of the Democracy in the approaching State election. The State Chairman has, no doubt, figured out or fixed the majority of the Democratic candidate.

But the people may be able to overcome fraud and set aside the made majority of the Democratic minority.

The King Land Suit.

Henry C. King, of New York city, has been contesting for some years for a five hundred thousand boundary of land lying in Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky. A suit is now pending in the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals at Richmond over that portion of the boundary which lies in Virginia. King, some years ago, instituted a suit in the Circuit Court of the U. S. for West Virginia, for that part which lies in that State. He lost the suit, but appealed the case to the Supreme Court of the United States, where he again lost it.

King then instituted suit in the courts of West Virginia to establish his right to redeem the lands by payment of all back taxes, it having been held in former proceedings in the Federal Courts that he had forfeited his title under the laws of West Virginia by the non-payment of taxes.

In the proceedings now pending in the circuit court of Cabell county, W. Va., the junior claimants on last Tuesday gained a substantial point. Counsel for King made a motion to strike out the answers and petitions of the junior claimants, claiming that they had no right to dispute King's redemption, and that they were not proper parties to the suit. The court refused to grant the motion, and entered an order referring the case to a commissioner, who was directed to ascertain and report the conflicting claims of all the parties.

CONCESSIONS IN TRANSVAAL.

Position of the British Government Officially Disclosed.

MAY ESTABLISH A PRECEDENT.

The Subject of the First Importance to the American Government in its Bearing Upon Franchises Granted by the Spanish Government Before the Spanish-American War.

Washington, July 8.—The position of British government relative to the various mining, railroad and other concessions in the Transvaal is fully disclosed in a Blue Book covering this subject which has just reached Washington.

The subject of the very first importance to the State and War Departments, as claims of vast amounts already are on file in these departments based on telegraph and railroad franchises granted by the Spanish government prior to the Spanish-American war. If these may be legally vacated the effect of such a decision would be far-reaching, and the action of the British government may establish a precedent. The most important of the concessions in our insular possessions and in Cuba are claimed by English corporations.

MILNER'S SWEEPING ORDER. The issue was made last September when Sir Alfred Milner, the British high commissioner, issued the celebrated order "9 of 1900," giving notice that the British government reserves the right to decide, to recognize or to modify any concession made by the late South African Republic "without proper legal authority, or contrary to law, or the conditions of which have not been duly complied with, or which appeared to affect prejudicially the interest of the republic."

This last clause was of the most sweeping character, and the British government appointed a commission to pass upon the whole subject. This commission has made an exhaustive report, set out in the Blue Book, laying down some important principles. One interesting statement in the beginning is this:

"On the first of September, 1900, her late Majesty annexed the territories and obliterated the sovereignty of the South African Republic."

It is clear that a State which has annexed another is not legally bound by any contracts made by the State which has ceased to exist, and that no court of law has jurisdiction to enforce such contracts if the annexing State refuses to recognize them."

The commission also asserts the right to "examine whether the rights which it is asked to recognize have in fact been duly acquired," a point of interest in the Cuban cable controversy. It accepts Sir Alfred Milner's most important suggestion in the declaration that the new government is justified in cancelling or modifying a concession when "the maintenance of the concession is injurious to the public interest."

The conclusions of the commission have not yet been accepted and enunciated by the British government itself, so far as the Blue Book shows. The correspondence is brought up to April 19th, last.

A Beautiful Home Wedding.

On last Wednesday, the 3rd, at 4 o'clock p. m., Mr. Tuck Cooley and Miss Myrtle Maxwell were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. W. W. Yost, of Baptist Valley, performed the ceremony in his usual impressive style. The attendants were as follows: Mr. Bob Waldron with Miss Pearl McNeil, Mr. E. W. Bowling with Miss Grace Walker. The wedding took place at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Beavers near Maxwell. After the ceremony the wedding party repaired to the dining room where an elegant supper was served to a number of guests. The bride was beautifully attired in white and carried pink roses. We wish the young couple a long and happy life.

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July 8, 1901.

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Office of Tazewell Coal and Iron Company Tazewell, Va., July 8, 1901.

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And provided four other notes, now held by the company are paid at their maturity, to-wit: One of said notes on the first day of March, 1902, the second one on the first day of September, 1902, the third one on the first day of March, 1903, and the fourth one on the first day of September, 1903, then twelve per cent. dividend of the capital stock of the company, will be paid to the several stockholders, out of each one of the four notes last named as they are paid, within five days after the several amounts are received by the Treasurer of the company. All of said dividends shall be paid by the Treasurer of the company, at the office of the company at Tazewell, Va., to the stockholders of record at the time said payments are made; and stock payments are not to be made until the certificates of stock are presented to the Treasurer of the company, and the amounts of said dividends endorsed upon each certificate of stock. Provided that nothing shall be paid upon the stock-certificate ordered to be cancelled by the Board of Directors of this company.

The Treasurer is ordered to give notice of times and place of payment of said dividends, and to set out in said notice the conditions upon which same are to be made.

By order of the stockholders, TAZEWELL COAL & IRON CO., by Geo. W. Gillespie, Treasurer.

Order of Publication. VIRGINIA: In the clerk's office of the circuit court for Tazewell county, July 6th, 1901.

J. D. Harrison, who sues for himself as well as for all other creditors of Samuel Davis, deceased, who come in and pay their part of the costs of this suit, complainant.

vs. } In Chancery. John W. Crockett, administrator of Samuel Davis, deceased, Elmina Jane Davis, Lucinda Ferrell, Alberta Froe, Augustus Davis, Douglas Davis, W. H. Alderson, trustee, and J. W. Chapman and A. P. Gillespie, lawyers, and partners under the firm name and style of Chapman & Gillespie, defendants.

The object of this suit is to collect